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# Request for Continued Examination (RCE) Transmittal

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Application Number	09/312,150
Filing Date	05/14/1999
First Named Inventor	Mire, Philip J.
Art Unit	2131
Examiner Name	Moorthy, Aravind K.
Attorney Docket Number	16356.722 (DC-01753)

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application.

Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application. See Instruction Sheet for RCEs (not to be submitted to the USPTO) on page 2.

1. **Submission required under 37 CFR 1.114** Note: If the RCE is proper, any previously filed unentered amendments and amendments enclosed with the RCE will be entered in the order in which they were filed unless applicant instructs otherwise. If applicant does not wish to have any previously filed unentered amendment(s) entered, applicant must request non-entry of such amendment(s).

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- i. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Rely Brief previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_

- ii. ☒ Other Amendment and Response to Final Action filed 1/12/2004

- b. ☐ Enclosed

- i. ☐ Amendment/Reply

- iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)

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- b. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

## 3. Fees

The RCE fee under 37 CFR 1.17(e) is required by 37 CFR 1.114 when the RCE is filed.

- a. ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 08-1394

- i. ☒ RCE fee required under 37 CFR 1.17(e)

- ii. ☐ Extension of time fee (37 CFR 1.136 and 1.17)

- iii. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

- b. ☒ Check in the amount of \$ 770.00 enclosed

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Mire, Philip J.

Serial No.: 09/312,150

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Enclosed are the following documents corresponding to the enclosed Request for Continued Examination:

1. Request for Continued Examination Transmittal ("RCE");
2. a check in the amount of \$770.00; and
3. a return postcard.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 08-1394, Order No. 16356.722 of Haynes and Boone, LLP, for the associated fees. This sheet submitted in duplicate.

Respectfully submitted,

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